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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Marc Laury et al.  
Application No. : 09/660,850  
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For : ERROR DISTRIBUTION FOR THE APPROXIMATION OF THE  
PIXEL COLOR OF A DIGITAL IMAGE

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated December 19, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Claims 1, 5, 8, 15, and 17 have been amended

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1. (Amended) A method of approximation of respective colors of pixels of a digital image, the method comprising selecting, from a look-up table and successively for each pixel, a color having a code which comes close with a smallest error to a sum of a code of a current pixel's color and of a correction term, wherein the correction term is equal to the smallest error calculated upon approximation of one preceding pixel, assigned with a weighting coefficient depending on a position of the current pixel in the image.